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Title: System and Method for
Configuring a Device to
Perform Measurement
Functions Utilizing
Conversion of Graphical
Programs into Hardware
Implementations

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please enter the following preliminary amendment in the above-captioned case.

Please amend the case as listed below.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following claims:

72. (New) A computer-implemented method for configuring a measurement system to perform a measurement function, wherein the measurement system includes a device comprising a programmable hardware element, the method comprising:
creating a graphical program, wherein the graphical program includes a block diagram, wherein the graphical program implements a function in the measurement system;

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